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In re application of:

Inventor: Cheng J. Cao, et al.

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: Examiner: Khatol Shahnan Shah

For: Methods For Determining The Presence Of Staphylococcal Enterotoxin A Gene In A
Sample**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
UNDER 37 CFR §1.114 WITH AMENDMENT**Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated January 15, 2008, please reopen prosecution and enter the enclosed amendment and remarks. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) transmittal, and request for a two-month extension of time are also enclosed along with fee authorizations. Please amend the foregoing application as set forth below.